

MEETING RECORD

NAME OF GROUP: Urban Design Committee

DATE, TIME AND

PLACE OF MEETING: Wednesday, February 7, 2001, 3:00 p.m., Room 206, County-City Building, 555 South 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska

MEMBERS AND OTHERS

IN ATTENDANCE:

Members: Dennis Scheer, Gordon Scholz, Kim Todd, JoAnne Kissel, Scott Sullivan, and Third World Oforah

Others: Ed Zimmer, Jennifer Dam, and Missy Minner (Planning Dept.), Jill Bazzell and Corby Dill (Quest Wireless), Steve Huggenberger (Law Dept.), Steve Hiller (Parks & Recreation)

STATED PURPOSE

OF THE MEETING: Regular Meeting of the Urban Design Committee

Approval of meeting notes from December 6, 2000 and January 3, 2001.

Sullivan moved approval of the meeting notes as distributed, seconded by Scholz. Motion for approval carried 6-0.

Special Sign District for Saltdog Stadium Area.

This item will be presented at the March meeting.

Review of Entryway Corridors District & Design Standards.

Zimmer indicated that this item had just been placed on pending at Planning Commission. This originated from Councilman Fortenberry's interest in initiating a process to approve entryway corridors. There is an open house on this at Goodrich Middle School the evening of February 12, 2001. The second hearing before Planning Commission on February 21 will not occur as this has been placed on pending.

The concept is to create an overlay district along I-80 and I-180. This will consist of a 150' band with 3 zones in it. The first zone would allow landscaping, the second would allow parking with landscaping, and the third would allow buildings.

He was not sure how this item will progress, but will keep the Committee updated on the status of the item. At the appropriate time, he would like advice from the Committee on how to make these concepts into design standards.

Committee members expressed an interest in using this as an opportunity to redo the Design Standards. This is an opportunity to recreate how the landscape works throughout the City, not just along the corridors.

Qwest wireless communication antenna at Carriage Park Garage and Irvingdale Park.
Carriage Park Garage -

Jill Bazzell, Qwest Wireless, explained that they are proposing a facade mount on the Carriage Park garage. The antenna will be painted to match the building.

Todd moved approval, seconded by Kissel. Motion for approval carried 6-0.

Irvingdale Park -

Bazzell indicated that Qwest was not able to come to an agreement with LPS on the placement of an antenna on Irving School. They have moved to this site instead. The pole will be 80' tall and can be extended to accommodate an additional carrier. They met with the neighborhood association. The only questions they had were regarding landscaping. Planning staff is recommending approval.

Todd suggested that more natural landscape materials be used.

Dam pointed out that Zimmer has indicated that this will have no impact on historical properties in the area.

Hiller stated that Parks & Recreation is fine with this tower. Their concerns were that the tennis lights still function and that the site be restored to the condition it was in before construction. They will provide landscape recommendations.

Todd moved approval, seconded by Sullivan. Motion for approval carried 6-0.

Staff report.

Zimmer asked Committee members to start thinking of projects that would be eligible for the Enersen Urban Award.

He added that a letter of resignation was received letter from Phil Perry. The Mayor's Office is looking for a new appointment.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:47 p.m.